

### **Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph on page 13, lines 8-11 with the following replacement paragraph:

Particularly preferred quaternary ammonium compounds include ~~benzenethanaminium~~ benzenemethanaminium N-dodecyl-N,N-dimethylchloride, ~~benzenethanaminium~~ benzenemethanaminium N-dodecyl-N,N-dimethyl-N-tetradecylchloride and benzyl-C<sub>12</sub>-C<sub>16</sub>-alkyldimethyl-ammoniumchloride.

Please replace the paragraph on page 14, lines 23-28 with the following replacement paragraph:

A particularly preferred anti-microbial composition comprises ~~benzenethanaminium~~ benzenemethanaminium N-dodecyl-N,N-dimethylchloride, ~~benzenethanaminium~~ benzenemethanaminium N-dodecyl-N,N-dimethyl-N-tetradecylchloride, benzyl-C<sub>12</sub>-C<sub>16</sub>-alkyldimethyl-ammoniumchloride, 2-phenylphenol, 2-octyl-2H-isothiazol-3-one, 5-chloro-2-methyl-2H-isothiazol-3-one and 2-methyl-2H-isothiazol-3-one.

Please replace the paragraph on page 17, lines 14-22 with the following replacement paragraph:

An especially preferred anti-microbial composition comprises 32 % by volume of a mixture of ~~benzenethanaminium~~ benzenemethanaminium N-dodecyl-N,N-dimethylchloride and ~~benzenethanaminium~~ benzenemethanaminium N-dodecyl-N,N-dimethyl-N-tetradecylchloride (2.33:1), 6.0 % by volume of a mixture of benzyl-C<sub>12</sub>-C<sub>16</sub>-

alkyldimethyl-ammoniumchloride and 2-phenylphenol (2:1), 6.0 % by volume of 2-octyl-2H-isothiazol-3-one, 16.0 % by volume of a mixture of 5-chloro-2-methyl-2H-isothiazol-3-one and 2-methyl-2H-isothiazol-3-one (3:1), 1.0 % by volume of a blend of polysiloxanes and balance by volume isopropanol.

Please replace the paragraph on page 17-18, lines 24-22 and lines 1-2 with the following replacement paragraph:

Yet another especially preferred anti-microbial composition comprises 6.0 % by volume of a mixture of ~~benzenethanaminium~~ benzenemethanaminium N-dodecyl-N,N-dimethylchloride and ~~benzenethanaminium~~ benzenemethanaminium N-dodecyl-N,N-dimethyl-N-tetradecylchloride (2.33:1), 6.0 % by volume of a mixture of benzyl-C<sub>12</sub>-C<sub>16</sub>-alkyldimethyl-ammoniumchloride and 2-phenylphenol (2:1), 16.0 % by volume of 2-octyl-2H-isothiazol-3-one, 32.0 % by volume of a mixture of 5-chloro-2-methyl-2H-isothiazol-3-one and 2-methyl-2H-isothiazol-3-one (3:1), 1.0 % by volume of a blend of polysiloxanes and balance by volume dipropyleneglycol.

Please replace the paragraph on page 27, lines 6-9 with the following replacement paragraph:

(a) 32.0% by volume of a mixture of two benzalkonium chlorides (in a ratio of 2.33:1) i.e. ~~benzenethanaminium~~ benzenemethanaminium N-dodecyl-N,N-dimethylchloride and ~~benzenethanaminium~~ benzenemethanaminium N-dodecyl-N,N-dimethyl-N-tetradecyl-chloride (Trade Name: BAC-50m);

Please replace the paragraph on page 28, lines 9-12 with the following replacement paragraph:

(a) 32.0% by volume of a mixture of two benzalkonium chlorides (in a ratio of 2.33:1) i.e. ~~benzenethanaminium~~ benzenemethanaminium N-dodecyl-N,N-dimethylchloride and ~~benzenethanaminium~~ benzenemethanaminium N-dodecyl-N,N-dimethyl-N-tetradecyl-chloride (Trade Name: BAC-50m);